

Government of the United States was founded; it is an introduction into this Republic of the despotism which in the early world kept the nations slaves for centuries and which strewed the shores of the Old World with the wrecks of uncounted nations.

If it acts now under Republican forms its spirit is not changed in the least from what it was when its president here before a great congregation, at the time when our Civil war was the sorest, in substance said: "The North prays to God for destruction upon the South, the South prays to God for destruction upon the North, and I say amen to both prayers."

It is significant, too, that no Mormon fought on either side in that war. It is as plain today as it was then, that all that keeps this kingdom from setting aside the Government of the United States is the power.

We hold that to give a high officer, one of the few who absolutely rule this kingdom, a seat in the Senate of the United States is to open the citadel of our liberties to our enemies. It seems all the more unjust to us in Utah who know that the one thing which the rulers of this kingdom most desire is political power.

We said above we had two objections to the election to the United States Senate one of the fifteen chief officers of this kingdom. We have two more. One is it is the direct breaking of the faith on which Utah was given Statehood. Statehood was granted on the express pledge of the chiefs of this kingdom, notably by him who is now President of it, that henceforth the people should not be interfered with politically; that they should vote as they pleased without interference. There is not a child in Utah as much as fourteen years of age who does not know that the coercion of the Mormon voters this year by the priesthood was just as pronounced as it ever was during the forty years here when among all the army of Saints there were

not forty scratched votes. The form was changed, the substance was just the same. Finally, the election of an apostle to the Senate of the United States would be a notice served on every young man in Utah that if he would ever aspire to promotion in any direction his only hope in Utah is through church promotions. The standing of the church official whose name is most bruited for election is direct proof of this. For except for his office in the church there is not a soul in Utah who would ever think of his aspiring to that exalted place.

In the East and West Legislatures have been debauched by money and led to elect unworthy men to that high station, but this is the first instance on record where a man hopes for election on the sole ground that in another kingdom hostile in every instinct to the spirit of our free institutions he holds a high priestly and ex-officio civil office. He may be elected, but the Senate will cast reproach upon the fathers who framed our Government, upon the brave souls that have upborne its flag for one hundred and twenty years, and will dishonor itself if it ever permits him to be seated in that exalted hall.

SILVER.

All the West coast States have prospered during 1902. In agriculture and horticulture Idaho has perhaps led the rest. She has great tracts of agricultural land and much of it is at an altitude which enables her to more certainly depend upon a crop than the other intermountain States can. Then she has ample water for irrigation. In Utah there has been great progress. Her old mining camps have outdone themselves, and in Beaver county such progress has been made that a mighty fruition is already in sight. The only cloud upon the State's material prosperity has been the decline in silver. This makes a feeling of disquietude lest the continued fall will by and by seriously cripple

mining in the precious metal camps. It is most strange, too, that such losses can come against the common sense of the world, all brought around by the manipulations of a few interest-gatherers.

Let us rehearse a few facts. The world's production of gold compared to silver is 1 to 14 by weight; that is, there are 14 ounces of silver produced to 1 ounce of gold.

In value the gold value compared with silver is as 3 to 1.

The total present annual value of silver is about \$85,000,000, Mexico and the United States supplying three-fourth of the total amount.

For the 100 years previous to 1870 the relative production of gold to silver by weight was about 1 to 15, and the relative value was about the same—about 1 to 15. The present production compared by weight is only 1 to 14 instead of 1 to 15, and yet the value of the gold production is three times that of silver, but the ratio is as 1 to 41.

That is, as compared with gold silver is much more scarce than it was a few years ago, but it has fallen in value when measured by gold 60 per cent. This is all due to the fact that by statutes the nations killed the demand for silver, by converting one of the precious metals that had always been reckoned as a fit material for money into mere merchandise. They did this, too, when the daily transactions of quite four-fifths of the world's peoples are too small to be measured in any money except silver and copper.

The money-lenders called it scientific financing, though the world outside their own select insignificant faction was starving for money. After they took away the demand for silver, took it away by statutes, and silver began to fall in value as compared with gold, they pointed to it and said: "See how silver is falling; it is no longer worthy to be called a precious metal." The people could not see that it was not the fall of silver but the advance of gold that they were witnessing, that when

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